



ECONOMIC PROSPERITY IN MILPITAS



OVERVIEW



- **Forum Summary**
- **Retail Realities**
- **Benchmarks**
- **Review of ED Program Elements**
- **Economic Character of Milpitas (SWOT)**
- **Some Initial Suggested Actions**



Commissioners' Forum Summary



- 30 attendees
- 9 EDC members
- 90 minutes



Commissioners' Forum Summary



8 categories of Goals and votes for each category:

• Business Climate/Government-Business Interaction ...	23
• Vibrant Downtown/City Center	17
• Education/Schools	14
• Economic Mix	13
• Image	5
• Housing Affordability/Employment	5
• Public Facilities	2
• Quality of Life/Work Hours	1



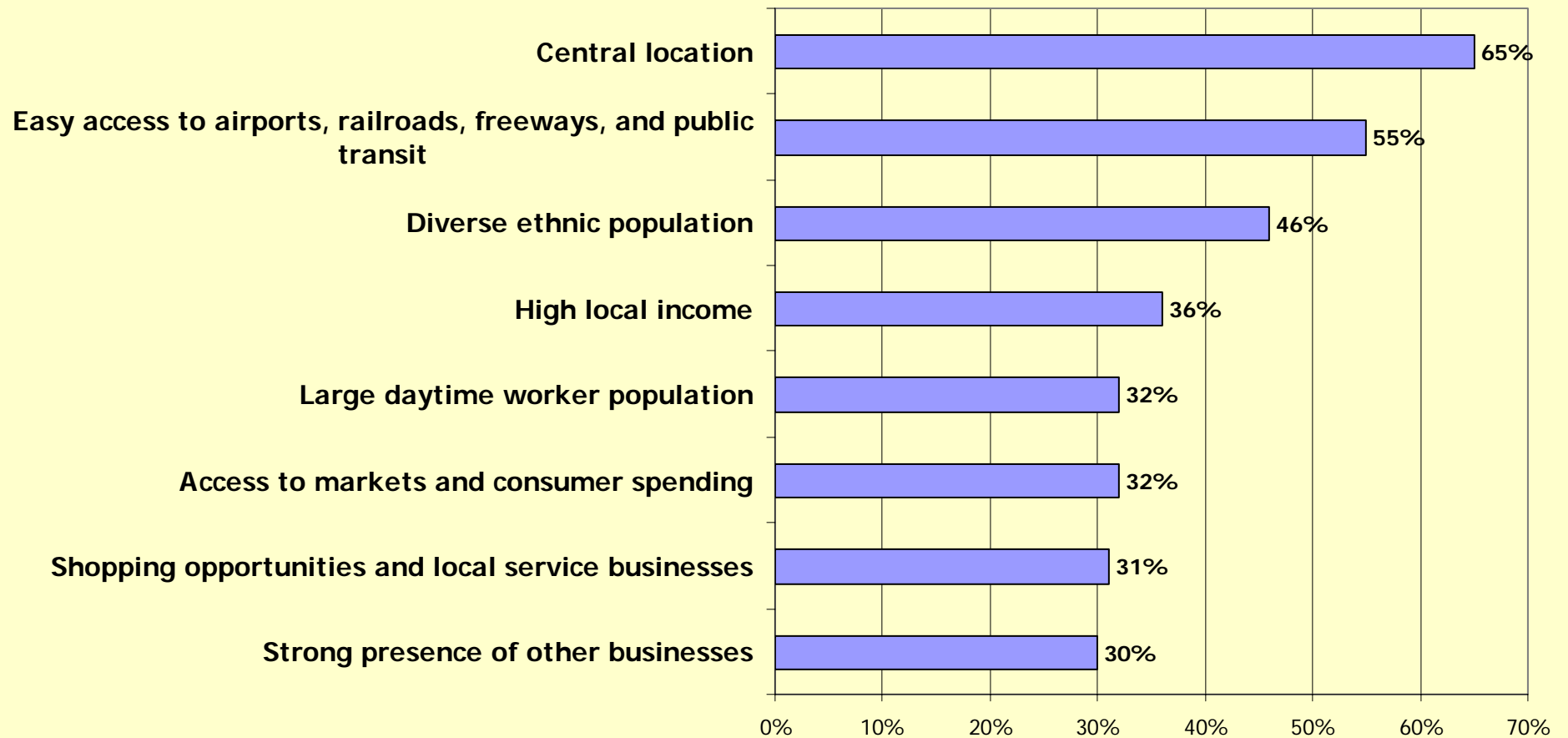
Retail Realities



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Retail Market Assets

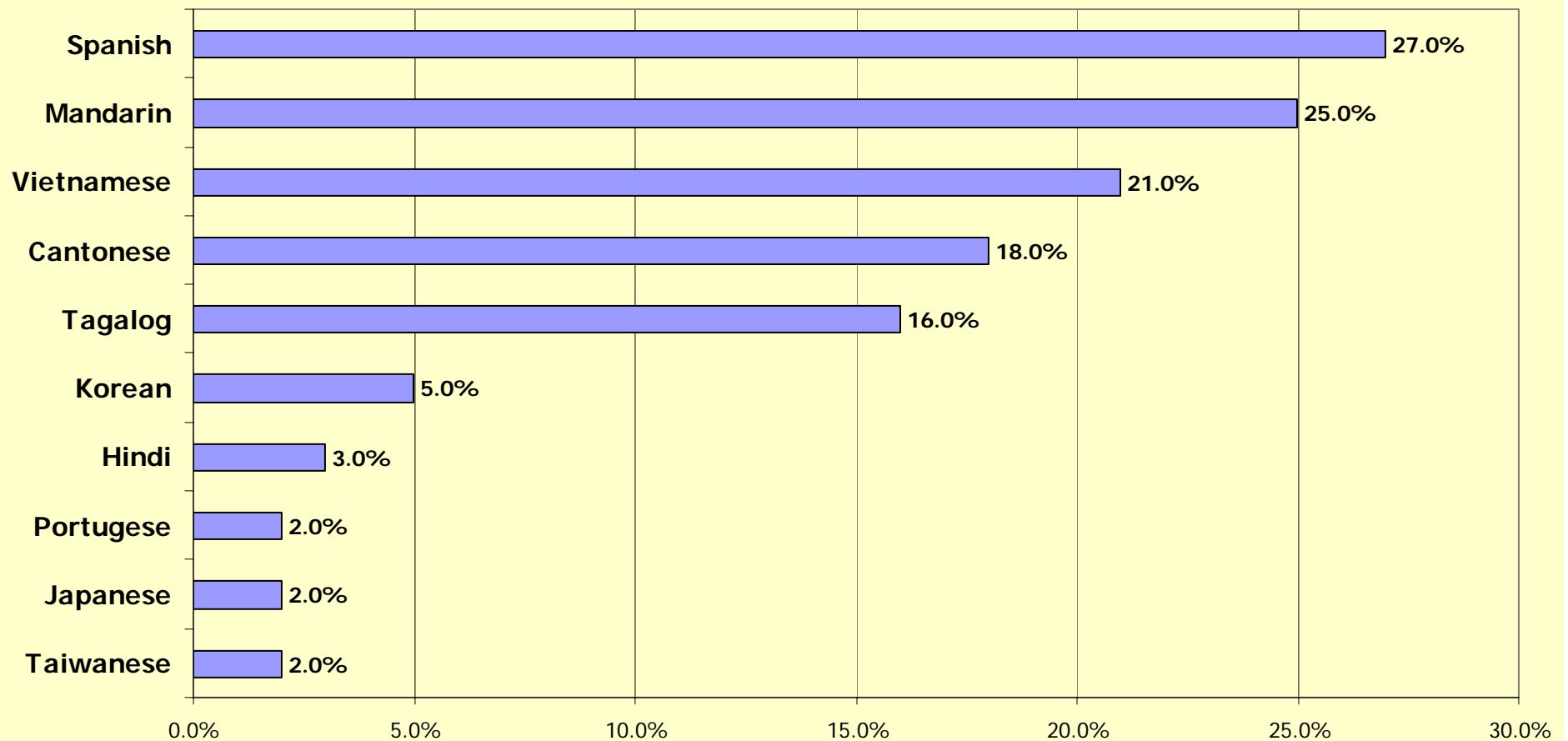




Retail Realities



Business Conducted in Other Languages

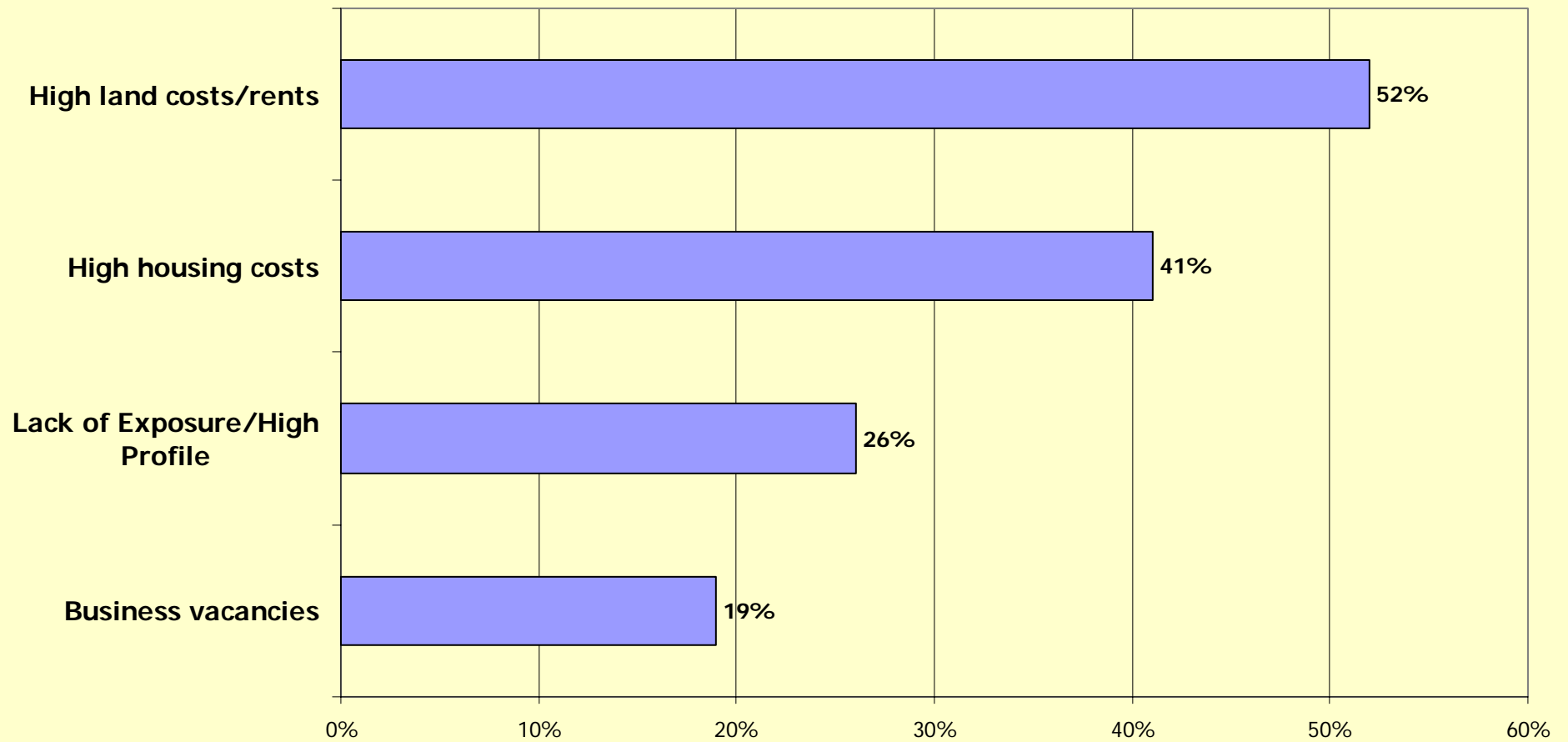




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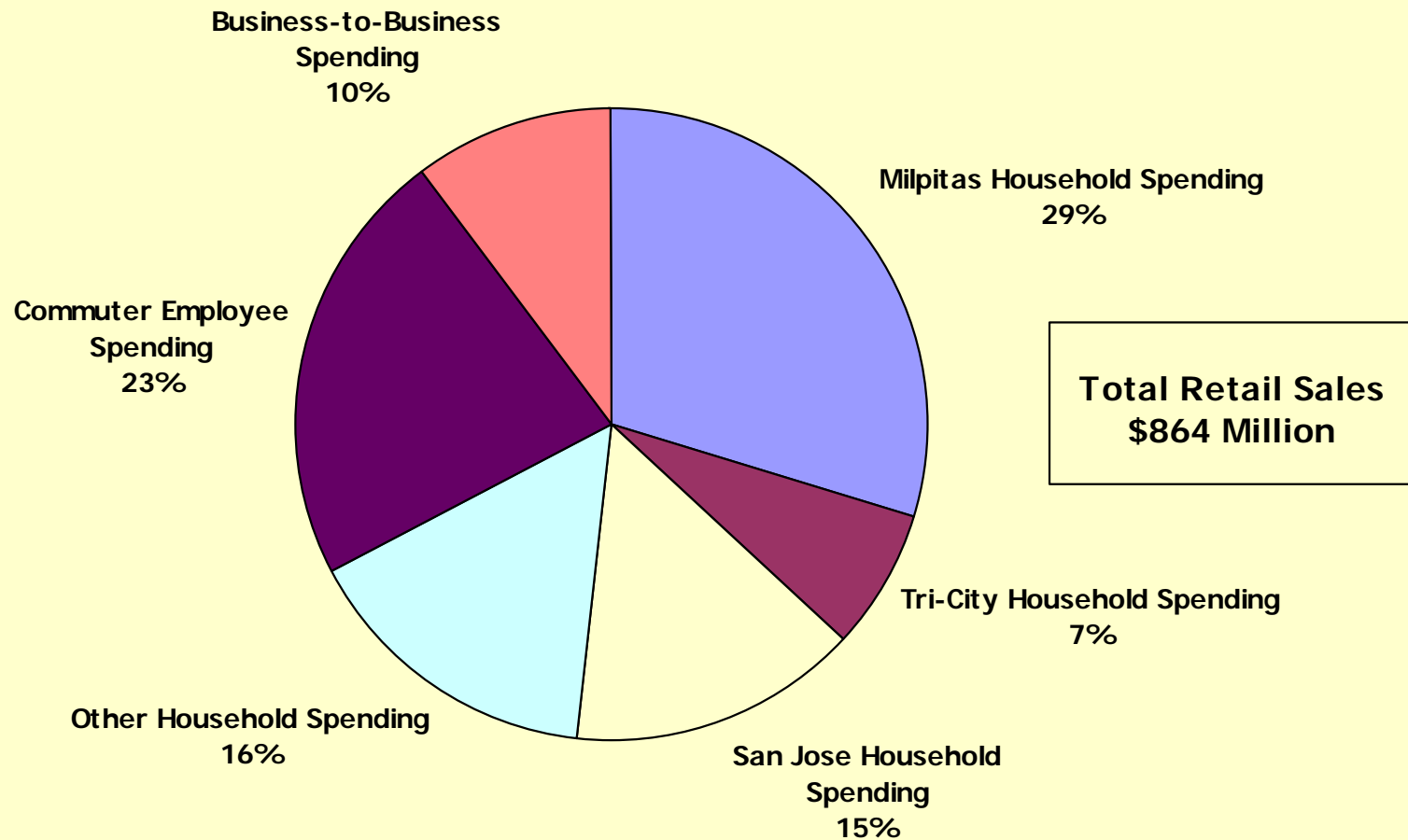


Retail Market Liabilities



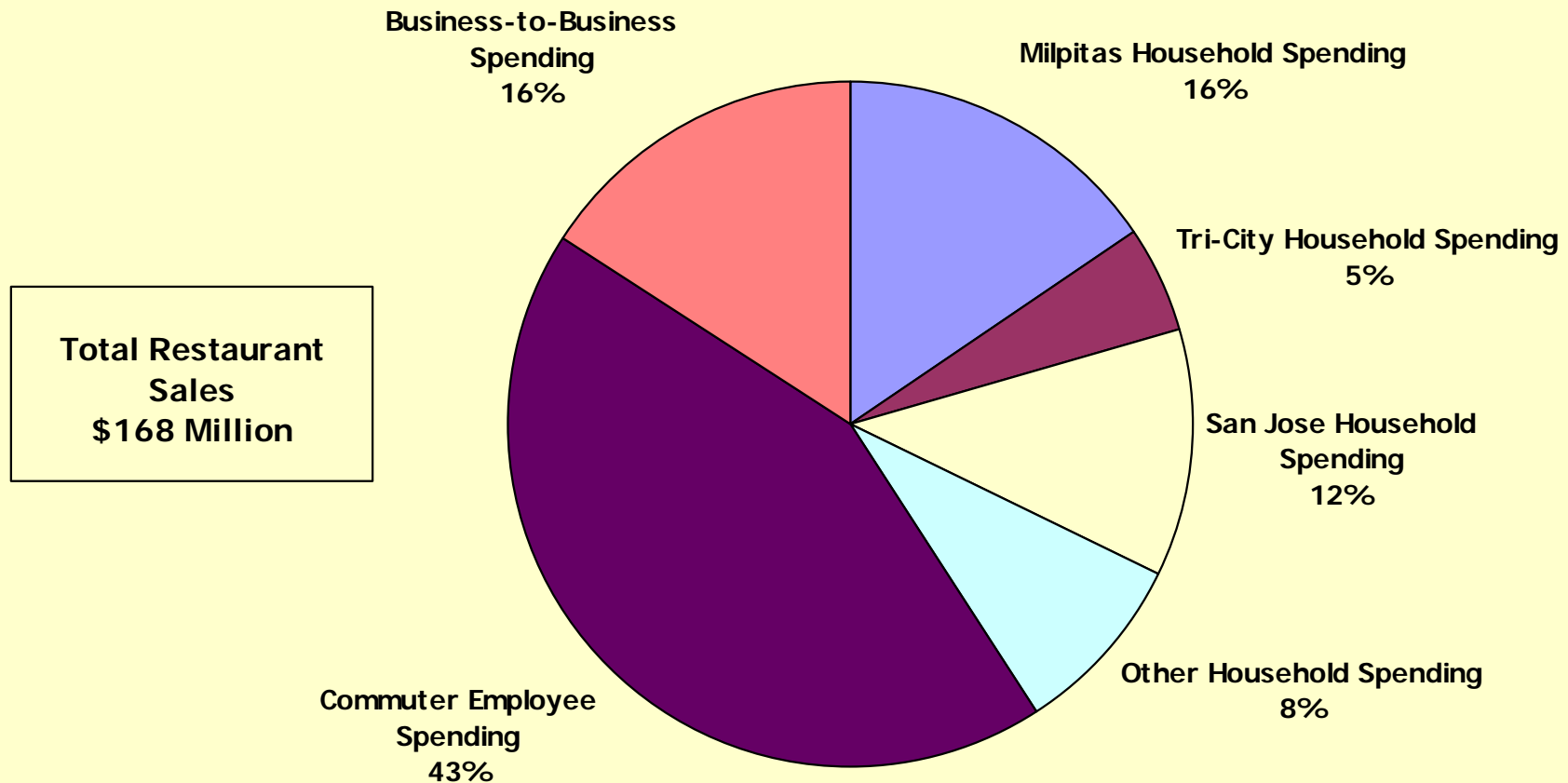


Distribution of Milpitas Retail Shoppers





Distribution of Milpitas Restaurant Customers





Retail Realities



- ❖ **Commuters make 23% of retail purchases**
 - ❖ **Opportunity to increase by diversifying retail sector**
- ❖ **Milpitas households make about 30% of retail purchases; \$137 million spent elsewhere**
 - ❖ **Opportunity to increase sales to Milpitas households by diversifying retail base**



Retail Realities



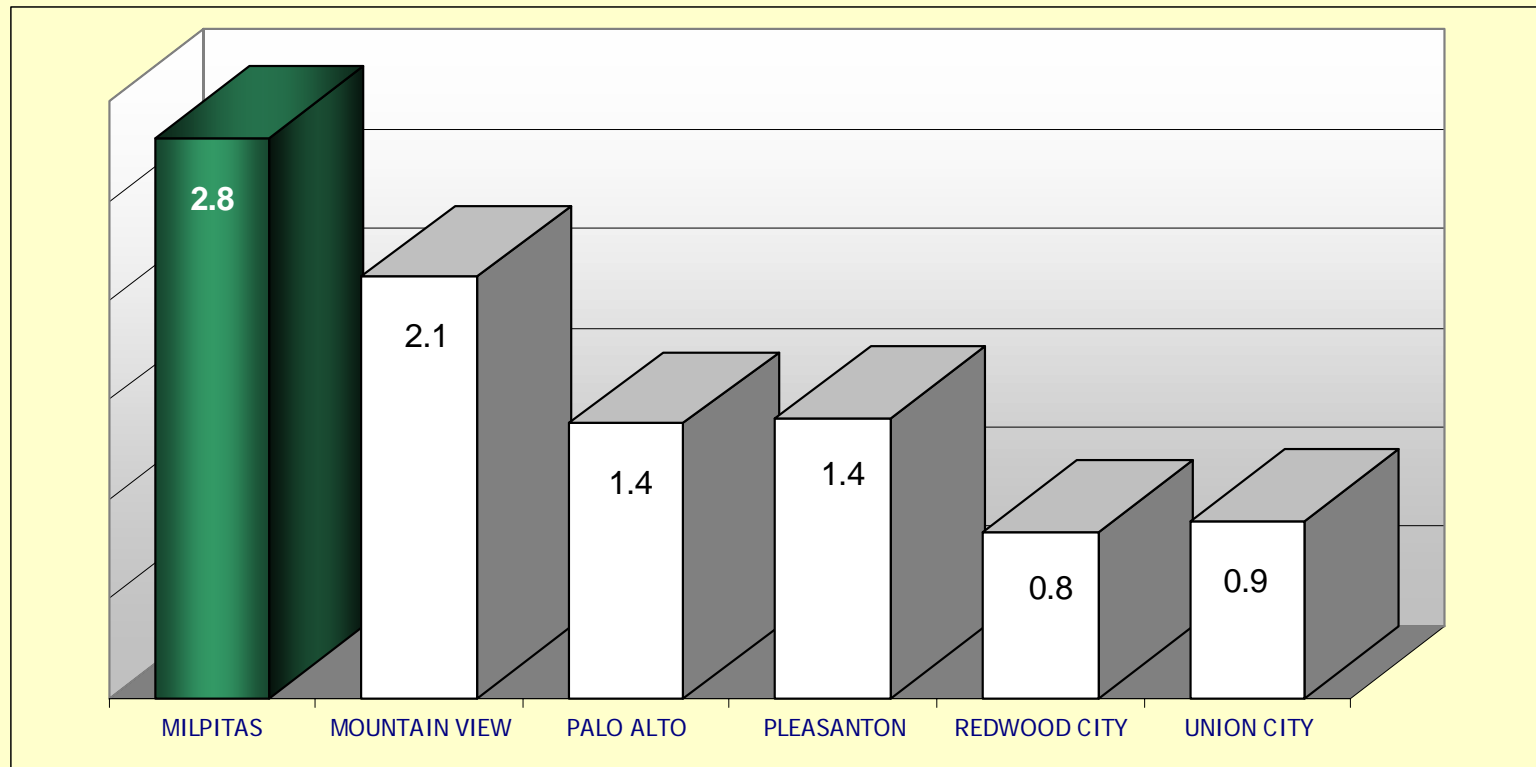
- **Small amount of spending at Milpitas stores by Tri-City households**
 - Will be less in future due to aggressive retail development there
- **San Jose residents make up 15% of sales**
 - Likely to decrease as San Jose expands retail opportunities there, especially in North East Quadrant



Benchmarks



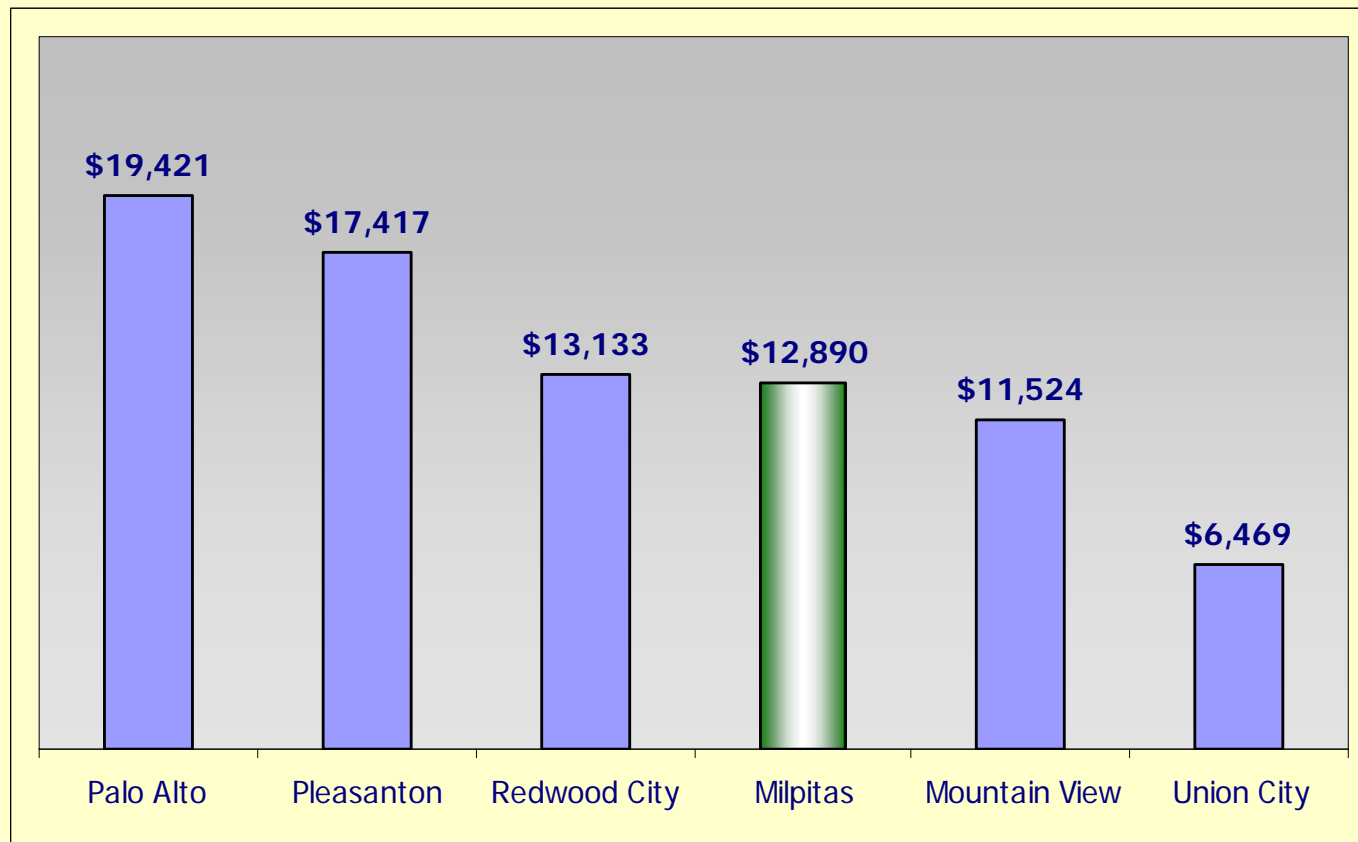
Jobs to Housing Ratio



Source: Calculations by Applied Development Economics with data from the California Department of Finance, County Business Patterns, the 1997 Economic Census and Zapdata.com (a Dun & Bradstreet Company)



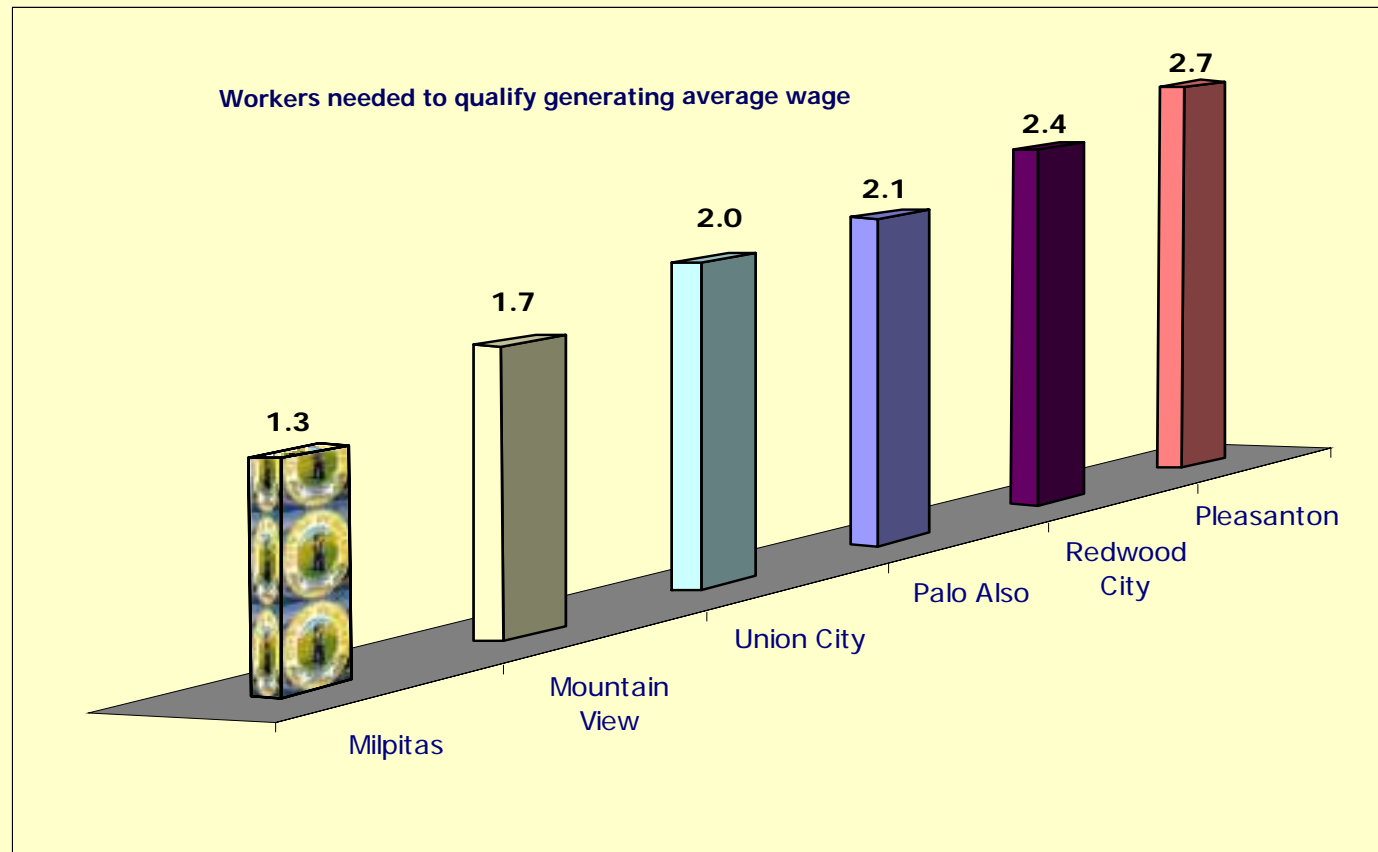
Taxable Retail Sales Per Capita, 2002



Source: Calculations by Applied Development Economics with data from the California Department of Finance, the California Board of Equalization



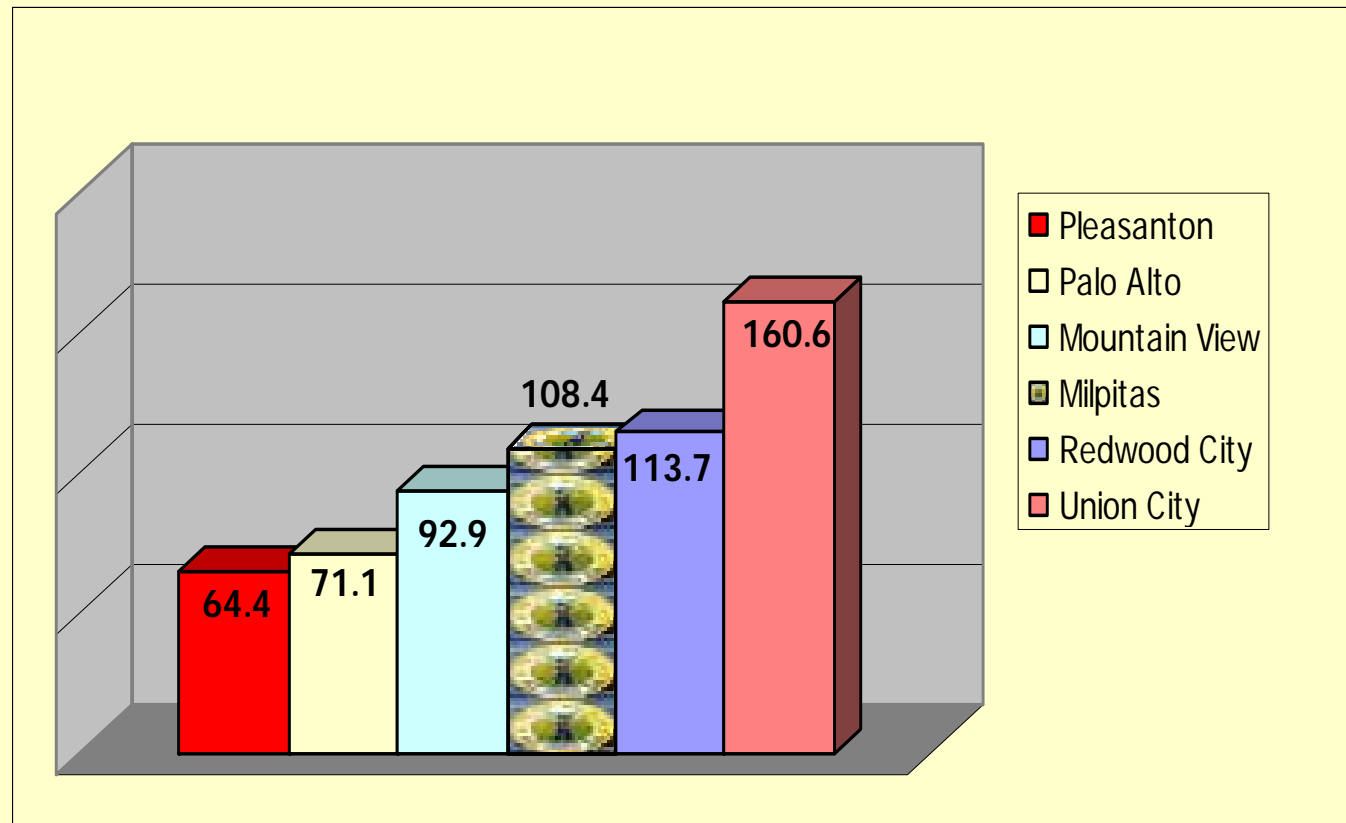
Wages and Housing Affordability



Source: Calculations by Applied Development Economics; home prices from DataQuick (median 2003), wages from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages 2002 with an adjustment made for 2003 based on the Consumer Price Index, Income needed to Qualify to purchase a home based on formula provided by the California Association of Realtors®



California Crime Index, 2002 *

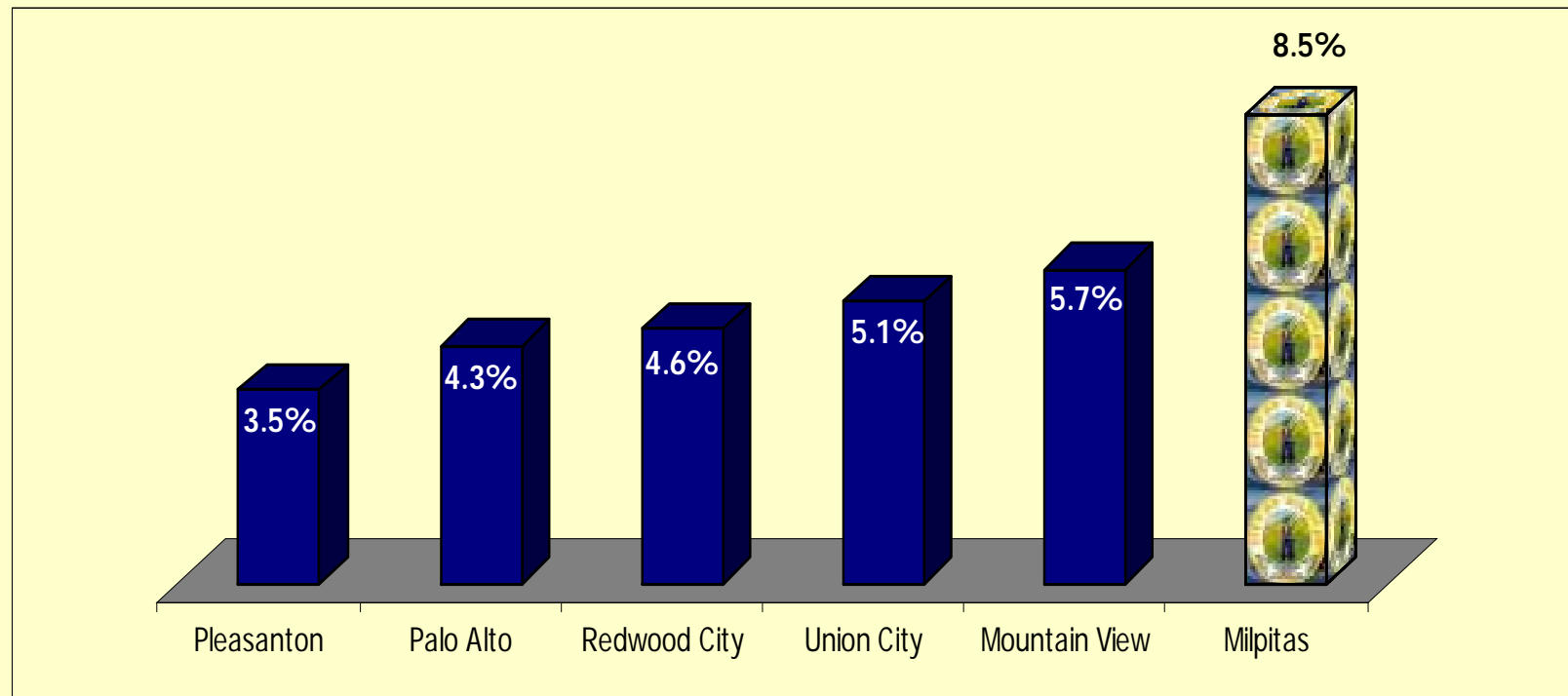


* Crimes per 10,000 population

Source: California Department of Justice



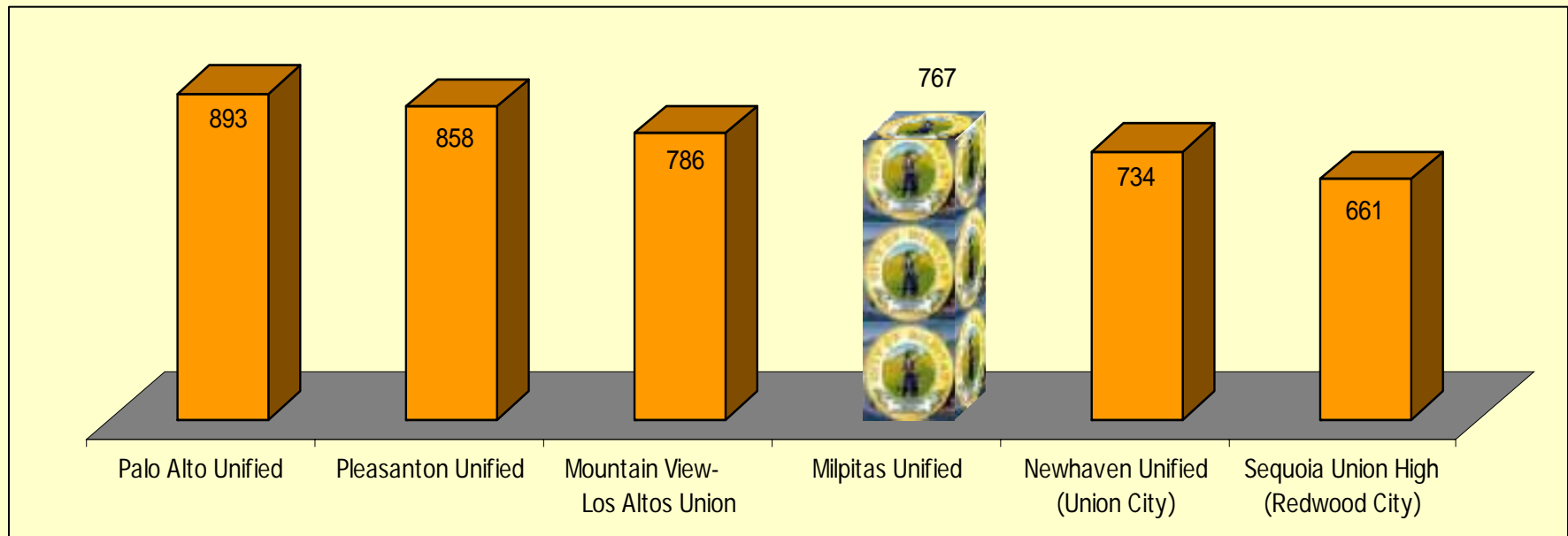
Unemployment Rate



Source: The Labor Market Information Division of the California Employment Development Department.



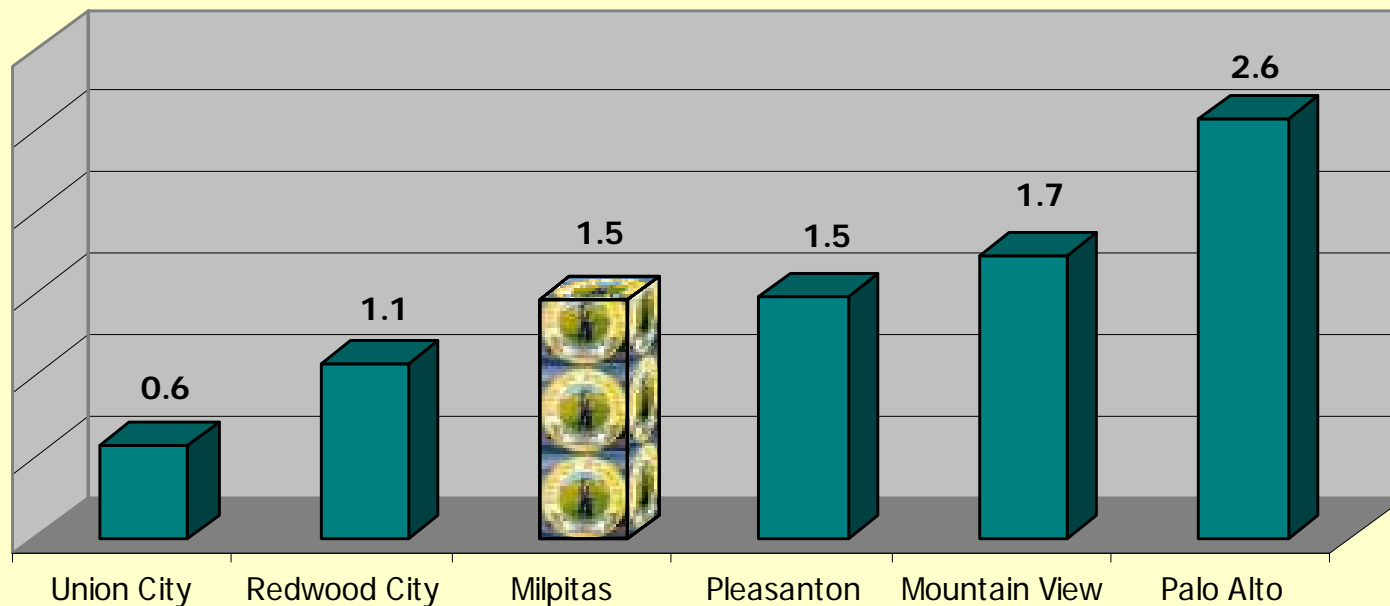
Academic Performance Index, 2003



Source: California Department of Education



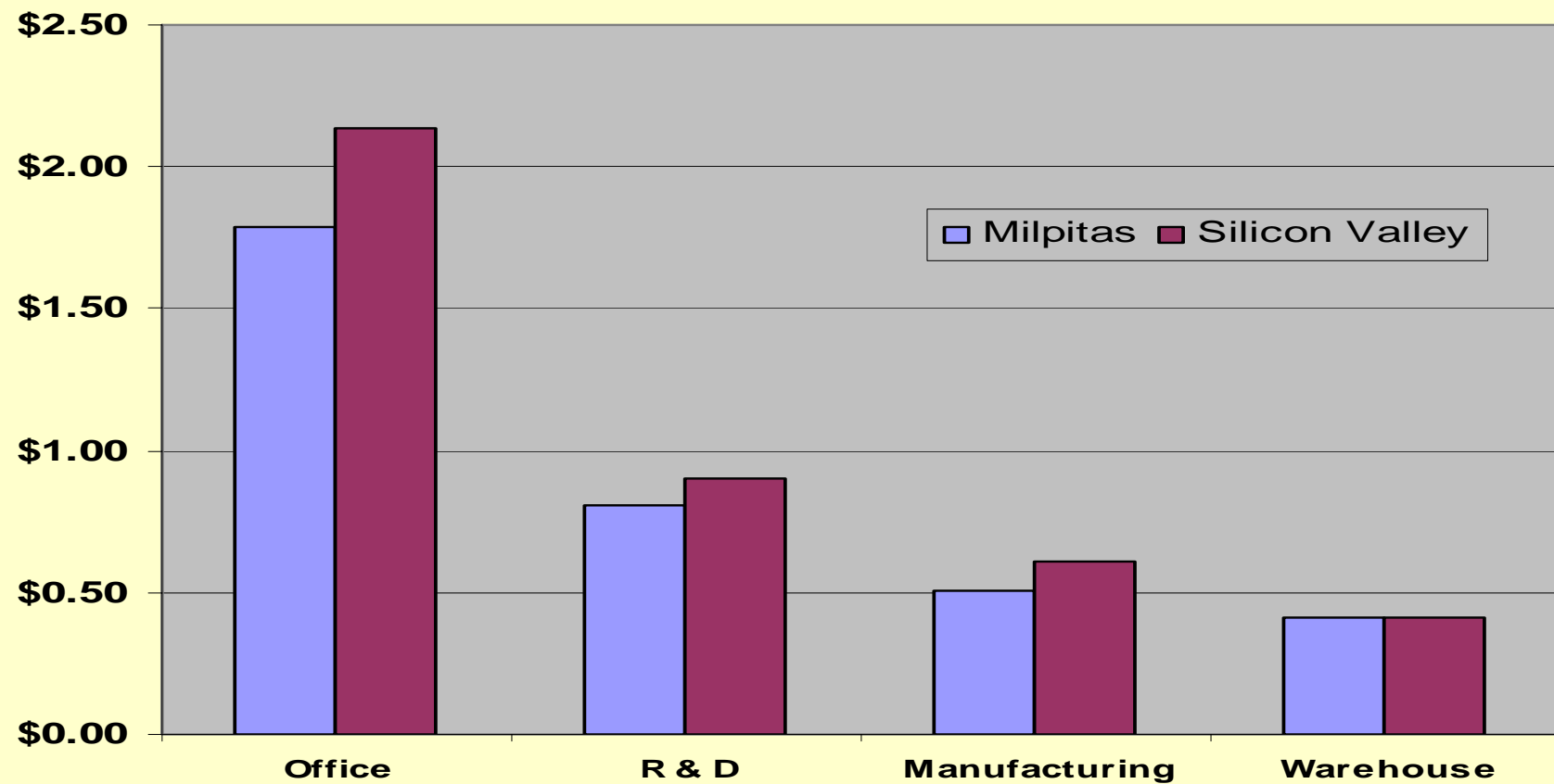
Ratio of Jobs to Employed Residents



Source: Applied Development Economics with data from the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)

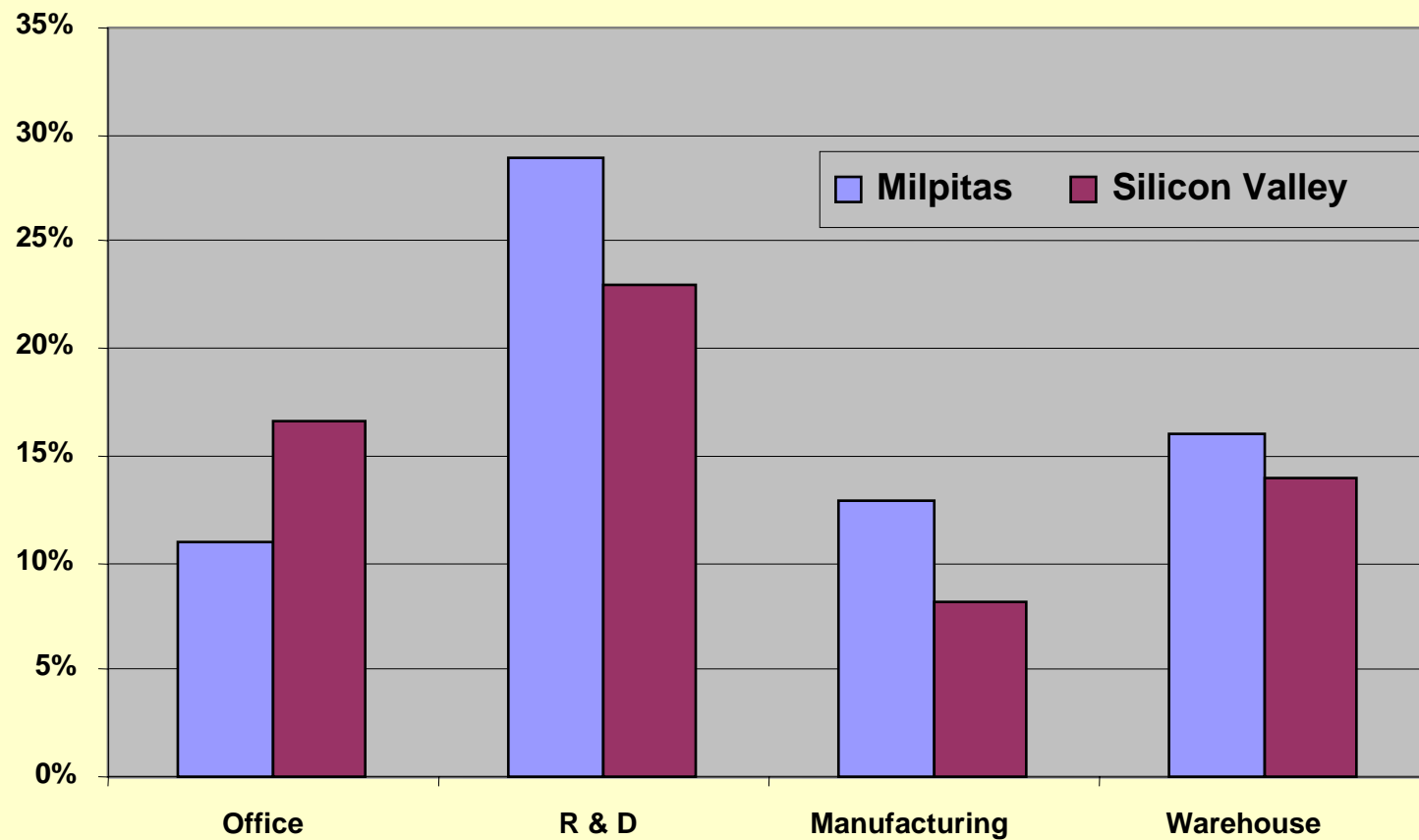


Average Asking Lease Rates Second Quarter 2004





Average Vacancy Rates Second Quarter 2004





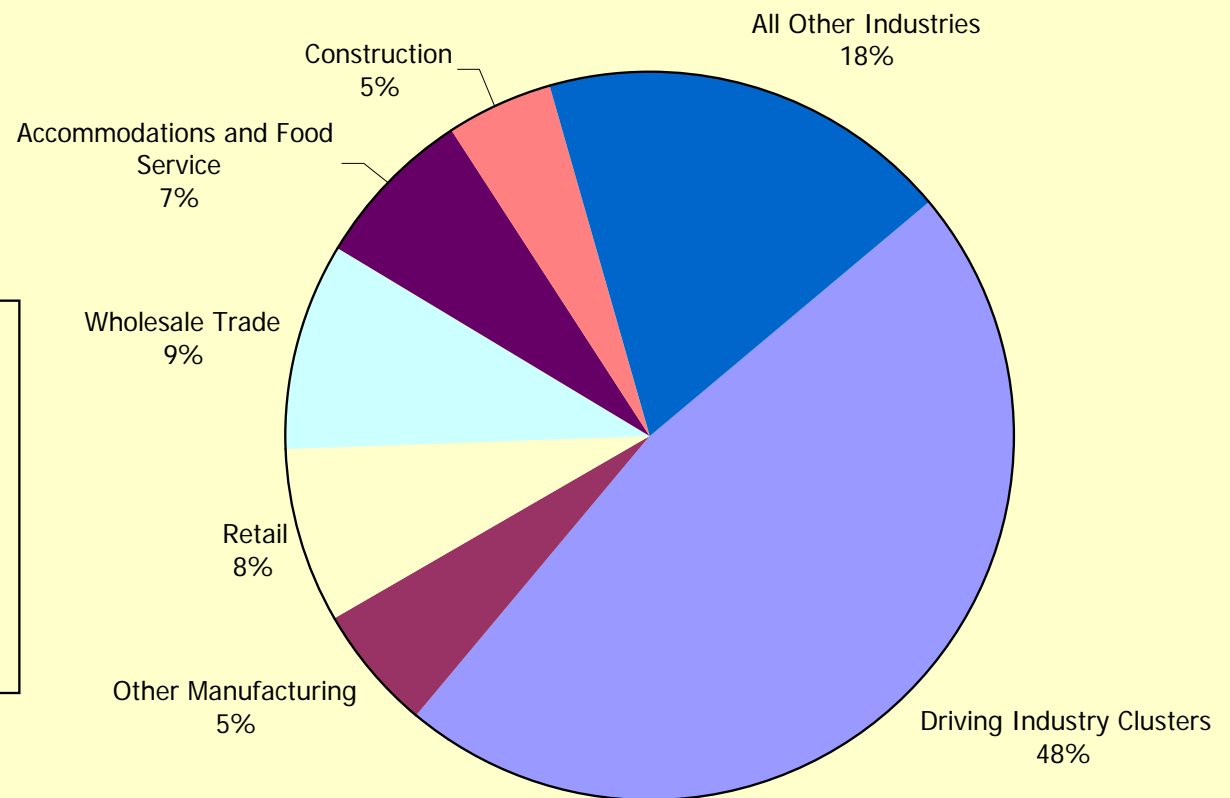
Milpitas Employment Distribution



Total Employment
62,921 (2001)

Driving Industry Clusters

Computer and Communications
Hardware
Semiconductors
Electronic Components
Software
Biomedical
Professional/Business Services
Corporate Offices



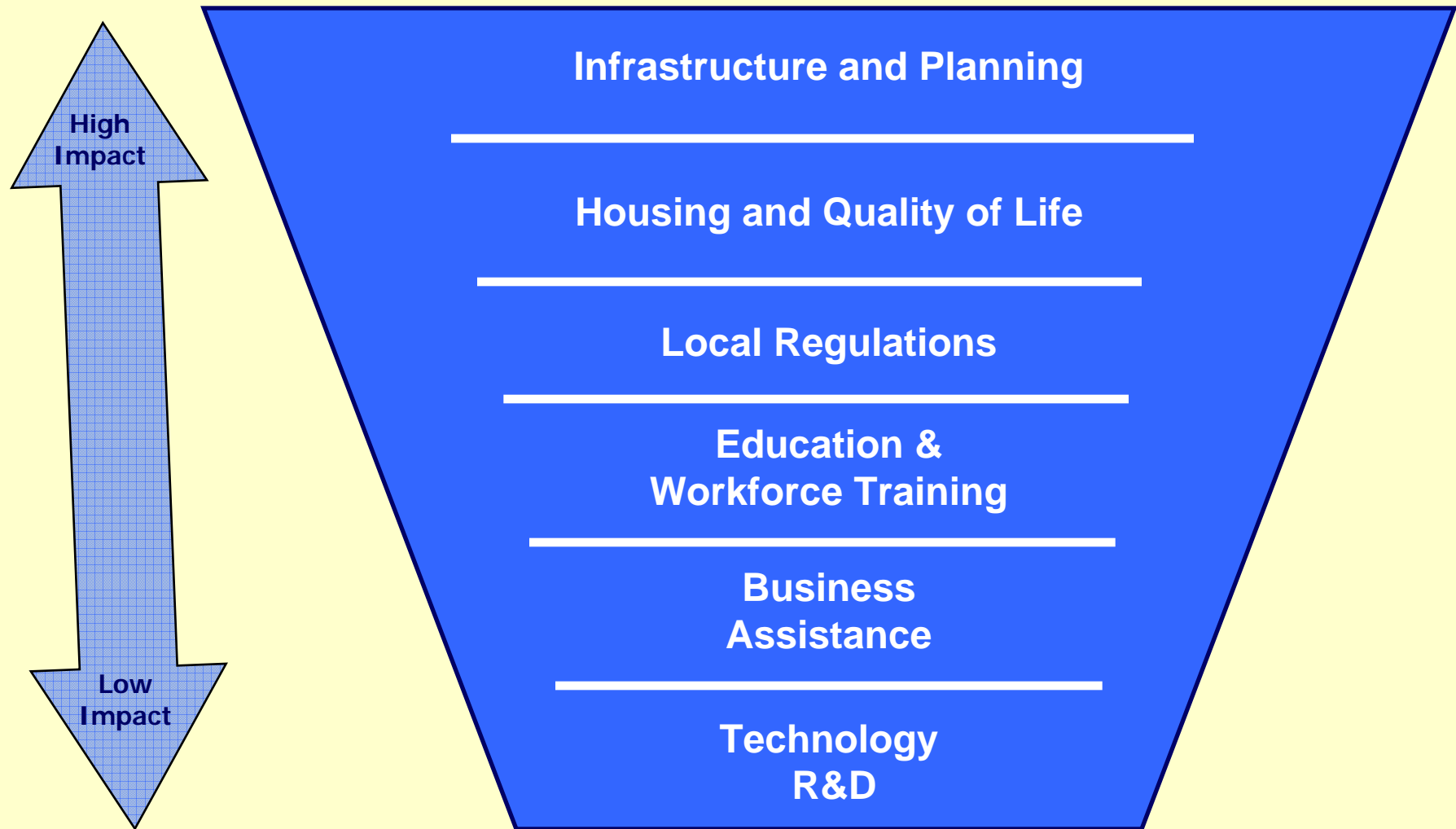
Source: ADE, data from U.S. Census County Business Patterns and IMPLAN CEW County Employment Database



Economic Development Review



Priorities for City Economic Development





Positive Business Climate Goals



- ❖ **High wage jobs for residents**
- ❖ **Affordable, attractive housing**
- ❖ **Attractive to new business (attraction)**
- ❖ **Healthy existing businesses (retention)**
- ❖ **Thriving Midtown and neighborhoods**
- ❖ **Quality Of Life**
- ❖ **Education and training opportunities**



Typical E.D. Program Elements



- **Healthy business climate policies**
- **Business-ready land and buildings**
- **Bus attraction**
- **Retention and expansion**
- **Downtown revitalization**
- **Workforce development**
- **Visitor attraction**



How Does Milpitas Stack Up?



SWOT Overview



- ✓ Strong fundamentals
- ✓ Jobs rich
- ✓ Strong fiscal future
- ✓ Major improvements now underway

- ❑ Progress not recognized quite yet



Main Strengths - MANY



- ✪ **Good location in Silicon Valley**
- ✪ **Importer of jobs**
- ✪ **Large retail surplus**
- ✪ **Great Mall, McCarthy Park, Midtown**
- ✪ **Redevelopment**
- ✪ **Competitive industrial + office product**
- ✪ **Recreation, parks**
- ✪ **2,700 hotel rooms support business clientele**
- ✪ **Cultural diversity**
- ✪ **Active civic participation**



Weaknesses Are Relatively Few



- ❖ **Industrial and office vacancies** (temporary)
- ❖ **Congestion** (forever, everywhere)
- ❖ **Negative image** (correctable)
- ❖ **Assets not well promoted, yet** (branding)



Outcomes – Suggested Priorities



Top Four Priorities



- ✓ **Midtown Revitalization**
- ❑ **Great Mall – Make it a world class commercial center**
- ❑ **Active Marketing Program – brand, image**
- ❑ **Designated Economic Development Program**



Areas of Focus



- ✓ **Redevelopment in Midtown**
- ✓ **Housing, quality of life**
- ✓ **Local regulatory climate – streamline, 1-stop**
- ✓ **Education + workforce training – schools, colleges**
- ❑ **Recognizable Basic Economic Development Program**
 - ❑ **Retention, attraction, small bus assist, tourism**
 - ❑ **Attraction to fill vacancies**
 - ❑ **Appropriate policies for remaining vacant land**



PROMOTING ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

Discussion